THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) 1168 titles in various languages including originals, translations, revised editions and reprints have been brought out upto 31st October, 1986.

Grants to Central Gandhi Smarak Sangrahlaya

2109. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have discontinued the grant to the Central Gandhi Smarak Sangrahlaya, if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(b) whether Government are aware that the Gandhi Museum is languishing because of paucity of funds; and

(c) what steps are contemplated by Government for the development and maintenance of the precious belongings of the father of the Nation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) to (c) The Government of India is keen that the belongings of the Father of the Nation are maintained in a befitting manner and have been assisting from time to time the Central Gandhi Smarak Sangrahlaya under its schemes of financial assistance to private museums and libraries.

Termination of Pregnancy by Unqualified Persons in the Country

2110. SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that termination of pregnancy is being done by unqualified persons in several parts of the country;

(b) if so, the number of cases of such termination of pregnancy that were detected during the last one year; and

(c) what action Government have taken to eliminate termination of pregnancy by unqualified persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Unauthorised illegal abortions take place secretly, hence no official data is available on this matter.

(c) Steps have been taken by way of increasing the facilities and availability of trained manpower to attend to abortion services under the purview of the Medical Termination of Pregnancy Act, 1971 as a health measure. Availability of facilities for such safe, hygienic and legal abortion services is being made known to the public.

Shortage of air seats from Delhi to Srinagar

2111. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL MATTO: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that there is an acute shortage of air seats from Delhi to Srinagar during the tourist season; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard?